

LUTZ CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday–Friday.....9:00AM–5:00PM
Saturday–Sunday 12:00–5:00PM

CLOSED:

Easter – Sunday, April 1

MUSEUM ADMISSION

Members Free
Adults..... \$7.00
Children \$7.00

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LUTZ UP?

SPRING 2018

KID STUFF TAG SALE

Drop Off In April

Donate toys, books, games, bikes, sporting equipment, clothes...almost anything related to children and in good condition. Bring your items to the museum during normal business hours throughout the month of April. You will receive a tax receipt and the knowledge that your outgrown items will help to support educational programming at the museum.



Shop In May

Find great deals on gently used kid stuff and help to support the museum at the same time. You will find tables and tents outside the museum filled with everything you need for summer fun. You are likely to find the best selection on Saturday, but everything is 50% off on Sunday. You might decide to come both days!
Sat. & Sun., May 5 & 6.....9:00AM-2:00PM

SUMMER CAMP 2018

It is time to think about summer camp already! We will have a great summer filled with science experiments, art, hikes, swimming, and animals. Register for one, two, three, or all six week-long sessions. Camp starts July 9 and runs from 8:30AM to 3:00PM. Spots do fill quickly. For more info, contact the museum at 860-643-0949 or frontdesk@lutzmuseum.org.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA

Please join us for a formal tea as we celebrate mothers and other special caregivers in our lives. Take time to relax and enjoy this social custom with someone you love.



Serina Julien is a native of London and will serve as your host. She will set out the fine china, finger sandwiches, and sweet treats for her guests. Then we will discuss some of the traditions surrounding afternoon tea, proper table etiquette, and British culture in general.

Registration is required for this program and space is limited. Your contribution includes two guests for the program and free admission to the museum.

\$20 Members (for two guests)
\$25 Non-Members (for two guests)
\$10 Each Additional Guest

Sunday, May 13 1:00PM



ANNUAL VOLUNTEER BBQ

All past, present, and potential future volunteers are invited to a summer barbecue at the museum. Please Contact Leslie Strano at 860-337-2616 or lstrano@lutzmuseum.org with any questions or to RSVP.

Friday, June 1 5:30 PM

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Our featured volunteer opportunity is trail maintenance. We need your help to clear trails, spread mulch, and repair benches at the Oak Grove Nature Center. Do you like to work outside? Are you a member of a group which would like to volunteer together? Give us a call.

Our volunteers greet visitors, feed animals, teach classes, serve on committees, and support the museum in many other ways. Please join us in thanking these very special people during National Volunteer Week (April 15-21, 2018) and every other day of the year.

This is also a great time to get involved. Whatever your skills or interests, your help is always needed at the Lutz Children's Museum. Volunteers range in age from teenagers to seniors. Contact Leslie Strano at 860-337-2616 or lstrano@lutzmuseum.org for more information. The museum is a great place to meet friends and build skills while making a difference in the lives of children.

Spring Classes at LCM

Classes are free with admission but they are on a first come first serve basis, so please arrive on time! Please dress your child in play clothes since many activities will be messy. Parents are not required to stay for classes, unless otherwise noted. Please advise us if your child has any food allergies.

TODDLER

ages 2-3
with caregiver

Reptiles

Out of millions of animal species in the world only a handful of them are classified as reptiles. Together, let's learn what these reptiles have in common and how they are different from the other animals that call Earth their home.

Thursdays: March 1, 8, 15, 22..... 10:00-10:30AM

Life Cycles

Everyone grows, and so do you! Even the smallest caterpillar eventually becomes the most beautiful butterfly. All it needs is a little time. Let's explore how animals such as insects and frogs take on the growing up challenge.

Thursdays: April 5, 12..... 10:00-10:30AM

Nocturnal Animals

After a long day of playing with friends, eating snacks, and exploring it's time to ease on down into bed. But, while we head off to dream other animals around us are just starting to wake up! Let's learn about some of the animals we can't usually see in the nighttime.

Wednesdays: May 2, 9, 23..... 10:00-10:30AM

Storytelling

This series is about imagination and story telling. Listen to a story and then cut, rip, glue and color to make a collage based on what you heard. Each week will be inspired by a new story as we discover materials to tell a story.

Fridays 10:30-11:00AM

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

April 6, 13, 27

May 4, 18, 25

SCHOOL AGE

ages 5-10

Reptiles

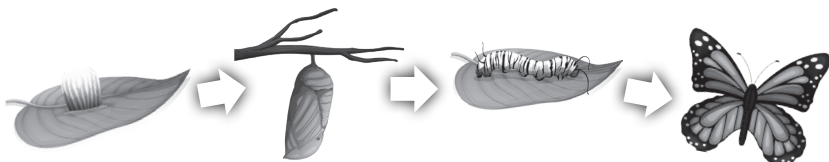
Reptiles may be scaly, rough, and bumpy but there's more underneath those scales than you might imagine. In this series, we will learn a bit about the anatomy and physiology of the reptiles that call the Museum home.

Thursdays: March 1, 8, 15, 22..... 4:00-4:45 PM

Life Cycles

Growing up may seem like a hard thing to do, but insect and amphibian species have the process nailed down to a tee. Within their relatively short life, these animals have to learn how to survive and grow during metamorphosis. Come join us as we learn exactly how these animals do it.

Thursdays: April 5, 12, 19, 26..... 4:00-4:45 PM



PRESCHOOL

ages 3-5

Reptiles

The LCM is home to a dozen different reptile species. Let's spend a little time meeting them and learning what makes them so unique compared to other animals such as mammals or birds.

Thursdays: March 1, 8, 15, 22..... 11:00-11:45 AM

Life Cycles

Some mammals, like rabbits, are born with little fur or their eyes are closed. But, what about insects or amphibians? They have a brand new set of wings or legs to grow! Talk about a growth spurt. In this series, we will explore how select animals grow, using a few museum residents as an example.

Thursdays: April 5, 12..... 11:00-11:45 AM

Nocturnal Animals

Did you know that some animals are awake at night and don't get in trouble from their parents too? Lucky them! But, how are they able to find food in the dark? In this series, we will learn about many animals that use their five senses to help them after the sun goes down.

Wednesdays: May 2, 9, 23..... 11:00-11:45 AM

Storytelling

This series is about imagination and story telling. Listen to a story and then cut, rip, glue and color to tell your own story. Each week will look at a famous artist as we discover materials to create collages and tell stories.

Fridays 11:15-11:45 AM

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

April 6, 13, 27

May 4, 18, 25

Nocturnal Animals

Nocturnal animals like bats and owls spend the whole night awake and sleep during the day. Bats use echolocation to catch insects in the dark while owls use their pinpoint hearing. We will learn about all five senses and the special adaptations that nocturnal animals have to survive.

Wednesdays: May 2, 9, 23..... 4:00-4:45 PM

Storytelling

This series is about imagination and story telling. We will turn drawings into collages to tell a story. At the end of the series we will bind our collages and stories into a handmade book. We will learn gluing tricks, look at the work of famous artists, and consider adding words to tell our stories. Each week we will work on a new page.


Fridays 4:00-4:45 PM

March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

April 6, 13, 27

May 4, 18, 25

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DIRECTOR'S COLUMN:

The museum is a nonprofit corporation run by its members. An all-volunteer board is elected by the general membership to oversee finances and set the general direction of the organization. Our by-laws instruct us to call an annual meeting to elect new members to the Board of Trustees. A slate of candidates will be presented for a voice vote. We also take this opportunity to present reports and recognize our hard-working volunteers and staff members.

Please join us at the museum on Wednesday, May 8. Refreshments begin at 5:30 PM. The meeting will be called to order at 6:00 PM and should end by 7:00 PM. Childcare will be available during the meeting. I hope to see you there.

Best Regards,
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